

**MEETING OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL**  
**DOCKET: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2004**  
**MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**  
**HENRY I. BOWDITCH PUBLIC HEALTH COUNCIL ROOM, 2<sup>ND</sup> FL.**  
**250 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA:**

**1) ROUTINE ITEMS: No Floor Discussion**

- a) Compliance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 30A, Section 11A ½
- b) Record of the Public Health Council Meeting of October 19, 2004

**2) PERSONNEL ACTIONS: No Floor Discussion**

- a) Request approval of an appointment and reappointments to the various medical staffs of Tewksbury Hospital, letters of December 7, 2004 and December 14, 2004
- b) Request approval of appointments and reappointments to the medical and allied health professional staff of Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, letter of December 13, 2004
- c) Request approval of an appointment to the consulting staff and reappointments to the affiliate and consulting staffs of Western Massachusetts Hospital, Westfield, letter of December 10, 2004

**PRESENTATION: NO VOTE/INFORMATION ONLY**

“Trends in Health Risks and Behaviors: Highlights from the 2003 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)”, by Christine Macaluso, Epidemiologist, Zi Zhang, Director, Health Survey Program, Center for Health Information, Statistics, Research, and Evaluation

**3) MISCELLANEOUS:**

Adoption of the Final Agency Decision in the matter of Department of Public Health, v. Elihu White Nursing Home, Inc., et al

**4) PROPOSED REGULATION: No Vote/Information Only/No Floor Discussion**

- a) Informational Briefing on Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 170.000: Critical Care Service Licensure, EMT Reporting Requirements and Technical Corrections
- b) Informational Briefing on Proposed Amendments to 105 CMR 150.000 Requiring Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) in Nursing Homes

**DETERMINATION OF NEED PROGRAM:**

**5) CATEGORY 1 APPLICATION:**

**Project Application No. 6-3A86 of Lahey Clinic Hospital, Inc. d/b/a Mary and Arthur Clapham Hospital** to expand existing radiation therapy services by acquiring a third linear accelerator which will be located at the licensed hospital satellite at 1 Essex Center Drive, Peabody, MA

**6) ALTERNATE PROCESS FOR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP APPLICATIONS:**

- a) Project Application No. 2-3A88 of Vanguard Health Systems, Inc.** – Request for transfer of ownership and original licensure of Saint Vincent Hospital resulting from the acquisition of Saint Vincent Hospital by Vanguard Health Systems, Inc., through its wholly-owned subsidiary, VHS Acquisition Subsidiary Number 7, Inc.
- b) Project Application No. 4-3A89 of Vanguard Health Systems, Inc.** – Request for transfer of ownership and original licensure of Metro West Medical Center resulting from the acquisition of Metro West Medical Center by Vanguard Health Systems, Inc., through its wholly-owned subsidiary, VHS Acquisition Subsidiary Number 9, Inc.
- c) Project Application No. 2-3A91 of Hubbard Regional Hospital** – Request for transfer of ownership, resulting from the installation of a new slate of directors serving on the Hospital's Board of Directors

The Commissioner and the Public Health Council are defined by law as constituting the Department of Public Health. The Council has one regular meeting per month. These meetings are open to public attendance except when the Council meets in Executive Session. The Council's meetings are not hearings, nor do members of the public have a right to speak or address the Council. The docket will indicate whether or not floor discussions are anticipated. For purposes of fairness since the regular meeting is not a hearing and is not advertised as such, presentations from the floor may require delaying a decision until a subsequent meeting.